

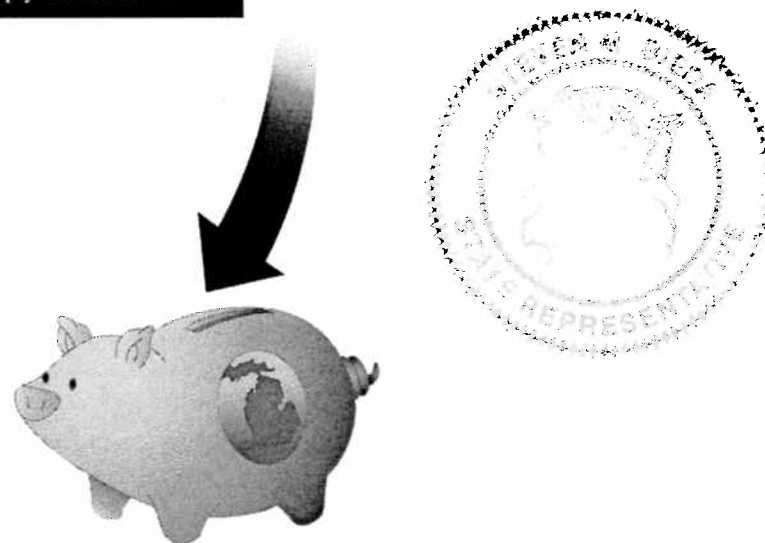
# HOW OUT-OF-STATE CANS, BOTTLES HURT MICHIGAN



Every out-of-state can or bottle illegally redeemed in Michigan robs our state of 10 cents.

Every year, an estimated 100 million cans and bottles are illegally returned to Michigan stores — meaning less unclaimed deposits at the wholesaler level and **LESS MONEY** for the state.

That's at least \$10 million a year robbed from Michigan taxpayers.



Unclaimed deposits go to the state to pay for environmental cleanup programs. In 2006, wholesalers gave \$9 million for these programs and another \$3 million to stores for processing.

(Source: Michigan Department of Environmental Quality)